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Interviews: 602 adults  
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48 Male  
52 Female  
[109]

## FINAL

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**Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.**

**The margin of error for 602 interviews is  $\pm 4.0\%$**

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as president?

	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>11/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	
Approve.....	75	74	82	85	88	82	50	56	57	[137]
Disapprove.....	18	20	13	11	7	12	35	30	22	
Not sure.....	7	6	5	4	5	6	15	14	21	

1b. When it comes to dealing with the war on terrorism, do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing?

	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	
Approve.....	75	76	[138]
Disapprove.....	18	19	
Not sure.....	7	5	

2. Based on what you know now, do you believe that the attacks of September eleventh represented a failure of the American intelligence and security systems, or do you believe that these attacks were beyond what was reasonable to expect the American intelligence and security systems to uncover?

	<u>5/02</u>	<u>9/15-16/01</u>	<u>9/12/01</u>	
Failure of intelligence system.....	42	47	41	[139]
Beyond what is reasonable to expect.....	50	45	49	
Not sure.....	8	8	10	

3. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the measures the Bush administration took based on the information they had prior to September eleventh?

Satisfied with measures.....	58	[140]
Dissatisfied with measures.....	31	
Not sure.....	11	

4. Do you think that the Bush administration did as much as was reasonable because it was impossible to predict that airplanes would be used as weapons, or do you think that the Bush administration could have done more to prevent or warn about hijackings even if they did not know airplanes would be used as weapons?

Did as much as was reasonable.....	53	<b>[141]</b>
Could have done more.....	41	
Not sure.....	6	

5. In dealing with the investigation AFTER September eleventh, do you feel that the Bush administration has been open and candid on this issue, or have they been withholding information that should have been made public?

Open and candid.....	54	<b>[142]</b>
Withholding information.....	37	
Not sure.....	9	

6. Do you think that there should be a full-scale investigation into the handling of intelligence before September eleventh, or do you feel that this would be unproductive and too political?

Should be an investigation.....	36	<b>[143]</b>
Investigation would be unproductive and too political...	58	
Not sure.....	6	

**FACTUALS:** Now I'm going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. How old are you? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24.....	9	<b>[146-147]</b>
25-29.....	8	
30-34.....	9	
35-39.....	9	
40-44.....	11	
45-49.....	11	
50-54.....	9	
55-59.....	9	
60-64.....	6	
65-69.....	6	
70-74.....	5	
75 and over.....	7	
Refused.....	1	

- F2. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school.....	1	<b>[148-149]</b>
Some high school.....	6	
High school graduate.....	30	
Some college, no degree.....	17	
Vocational training/2-year college.....	9	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	20	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree....	11	
Doctoral/law degree.....	2	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

- F3. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? **(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:)** Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? **(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:)** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Democratic Party, closer to the Republican Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	18	<b>[150]</b>
Not very strong Democrat.....	9	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	9	
Strictly independent.....	19	
Independent/lean Republican.....	8	
Not very strong Republican.....	11	
Strong Republican.....	16	
Other.....	4	
Not sure/nothing.....	6	

- F4. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.....	8	<b>[152]</b>
No, not Hispanic.....	91	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

- F5. What is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White.....	80	<b>[153]</b>
Black.....	9	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	3	
Hispanic (VOL).....	6	
Not sure/refused.....	1	